OBJECT TO CLAUSE IN PENDING BILL

Departments Oppose Giving **Public Printer Authority Over Stationery Supplies.**

ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT OF EXECUTIVE POWERS

Effect of Measure Discussed-Postmaster General Classes It Incompatible With Economy.

Opposition is being voiced by the exscutive departments of the government to that part of the "printing bill" now before the authority to purchase stationery, blank books and other like supplies in the joint congressional committee on printing, instead of the Secretary of the Treasury, acting through the general supply committee. The passage of this bill as it now stands will constitute an infringement upon the printer, under the direction of the stitute an infringement upon the powers of the executive departments, it is con The right of Congress to dictate to the administrative departments the quality, form and style of its stationery and similarly standardized stationery sup

plies is questioned.

Stationery is now on the schedule of common supplies, standardized by the general supply committee of the government. It is said that if the bill becomes a law in its present form many Washington merchants would be deprived of large business contracts, which they have heretofore received from the general supply committee, whereas, it is urged, these merchants by a system of competition in bidding for business have brought about a system of low prices for the government work, representing large economies to rk, representing large economies to public purse. It is also said that the mination of competition, such as now sts, would necessarily tend to increase ays attendant upon deliveries of pub work to the departments.

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Postmaster General Burleson is among those who are opposing any change in the method by which this business is done. He outlined his views on the subject in his annual report. Secretary McAdoo, whose authority would be circumscribed by the proposed legislation, is not publicly on record on the subject, but he is supposed to have set forth opinions adverse to the proposed legislation in personal communications with members of both houses of Congress. It is said that not one member of the cabinet, all of whose departments would be affected, supports the proposed law.

It-is contended that the fixing of standards of printing and binding of departmental publications is an executive function. The general supply committee—created by act of Congress of June 17, 1910—which is composed of representatives of each of the government departments, it is said that since the committee was created a substantial economy has been effected in the purchase of blank books, duplicating and filing devices and other stationery, and that general standardization has been accomplished. Nothing would be gained, it is claimed, by tak.

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Jurisdiction to Committee.

Under the proposed legislation the onal committee on printing would be given jurisdiction to fix upon standards of paper of every deription which, in its judgment, will e required by the government printing office. The proposed legislation would also require that manifold blank books and forms used in duplicating processes, complete binding and filing devices, loose-leaf books of every de-

devices, loose-leaf books of every description, index, catalogue and file cards, shipping tags, etc., shall be obtained from the public printer.

Even if the matter of printing might be regarded as within the proper sphere of service of the public printer, as of course, it is, there is a disposition to dispute the special concern of the public printer as to such general supplies as those mentioned.

"Some features of the printing bill now pending before Congress as regards the proposed authority to be vested in the joint committee on printing," comments Postmaster General Burleson in his annual report, "are believed to be incompatible with the efficient and economic administration of the purchase of supplies.

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"Experience has demonstrated that printed blanks and forms may frequently be procured cheaper and more expeditiously through commercial chanuels than from the government printing office. To be compelled to obtain such supplies through the joint committee on printing would eliminate competion printing would eliminate competi-tion and result, in many cases, in higher prices, would give the public printer arbitrary power in the superintendence of departmental work and tend to fur-ther increase attendant delays in de-liveries.
"In these circumstances it is believed unwise from an administrative and economic point of view for the joint printing committee, a legislative body, to make contracts for all printing for the executive departments."

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'Way up 7th street there is a sea food stand. It is merely an old door set upon two wood horses outside a set upon two wood horses outside a upper left corner," he remarked. back but when it comes to eatings Ask anybody around.

When you see the tin plates heaped with fish, scored from gill to tail and fried in cornmeal, you will know with-out looking in the paper that the spring herring run is on. All summer the tin plates give way to brown oil cloth, on which are sprawled cooked crabs with sea grass tangled in their rust-red claws. Just now the tin plates and brown oilcloth have been replaced log cabins of oysters, with bushel basthe stand. And always-spring, summer and winter-there are hungry lookers on.



ed knees. In the intensity of his long-

A stylish young thing at the registered mail window was sealing a letter which the clerk had shoved back to her because its flap was unfastened.

"Wasn't I silly." And there's \$20 in it, too—. There it is, good and tight."

The clerk gave the letter another look and shoved it back again. The young woman had failed to write her own address.

"Oh! Do I have to do that on a local



"Why, I always put it on the flap—looks more stylish, don't you think?"

Then she started off and had to be called back to get her receipt. She accepted it with an air that was almost socially coquettish.

"Oh. you needn't have bothered. I know you wouldn't cheat me. I never keep receipts, anyhow."

The clerk accepted her remark with the responsiveness of a stone god in a museum, and the young woman gave way to a man. His letter must have been properly sealed and directed. for know you wouldn't cheat me. I never keep receipts, anyhow."

The clerk accepted her remark with the responsiveness of a stone god in a museum, and the young woman gave way to a man. His letter must have been properly sealed and directed, for the clerk, having hunted through a catalogue of foreign addresses, made out a slip and received the exact change.

Then the man—who was yellow of skin and slanting in the matter of eyebrows—tipped off silently on soft-soled Chinese shoes.

And we get up on platforms and talk

And we get up on platforms and talk about the compelling forces of cultured heredity and environment and educational training and—and—all that:

up from every direction and vehicles began to block the street. A fringe of women on an opposite curb stared over, but only one seemed to know what had happened. She was a pleasant-voiced woman with a sympathetic face, and she carried a rose wrapped in tissue paper. She told the woman next that she had heard somebody say that somebody had been run over by an automobile, and that an ambulance had been sent for. And then somebody knew as much as she did, and more.

"I wonder what makes men so careless!"—the observation came from a woman who carried a bag ornamented



with the claw of a baby alligator—"You hardly ever hear of a woman getting hurt on the street. Women look where they are going, while a man skips off cars and in front of auto—"Poor fellow!—the rose woman's voice was deeply concerned—"I do hope he

was deeply concerned—"I do hope he isn't seriously injured."
—"mobiles, and 'the first thing he knows he's at the hospital." finished up the woman with the claw bag.
"I suppose it's because women are more timid, and for that reason, less venture-

Personal to Rivermen.

Joseph Andras, assistant engineer of er Wakefield, has been promoted to chief

William Kersey, until recently enginee on the tugboats of the Taylor fleet, has entered the service of the Potomac and Chesapeake Steamboat Company, and

This is what he was saying to another man as they waited for the car to stop so they could get out:

"Yes, str. science will eventually end poverty and its attendant ills. Animals hibernate during cold weather, and if our pauper class could be put to sleep all winter by some chemical process and thawed out in the spring—"

He said it with the confidence of one who has already patented the process.

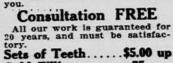
Chesapeake Steamboat Company, and has been placed in charge of the engine room of the steamer Volunteer.

Capt. John Martino, owner of vessels employed in traffic on Chesapeake bay and its tributaries, who has been ill at his home in Bethel, Del., is reported convalescing and expects to be out again in a few days.

Capt. Kendrick of Charles county, Md.,

Capt. Kendrick of Charles county, Md. A crowd swarmed across from Lafayette Park. Department clerks on their way home crossed over to see what was going on; nurses wheeled go-carts from the park, newsboys darted Capt. Kendrick of Charles county, Md., has been appointed master of the Carter schooner Earl Biscoe, and will take command of the schooner in the coming week in general freighting work on the river.

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Births Reported.

The following births were reported to the health department for the past wenty-four hours Louis and Gertrude A. Waple, girl. William T. and Mildred E. Van Dore

Edward L. and Minnie E. Thomp

James and Louise Murdock, boy.

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William M. and Josephine Ludnay, boy.

Harry and Bessie M. Horner, boy.

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William R. and Beulah Coakley, girl.

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Clifford E. and Grace M. Roberts, boy.

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Charles and Carrie Lewis, boy.

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John S. and Bell Lee, boy.

George N. and Clara E. Jenkins, boy.

Bernard and Ada Harris, girl.

Adolphus and Adel Hyson, boy twins.

Clarence and Anna Chase, boy.

Jessie and Viola B. Brook, girl.

Negative Debaters Win Decision. Law cannot and should not be substiuted for armed force in the settlement of international disputes, was the verdict given in a debate held in the gymnasium of the Fourth Presbyterian Church Friday night. The decision was given to the negative upheld by Messrs. Cake, Hunt and Gilbert of the McChesney Class. The affirmative was argued by Messrs. Belt, Robbins and Reed of the Henry Gilbert Class. Judges were Messrs. Clement, Hall and Joseph Milans. Rev. H. J. Bell, superintendent of the Sunday school, was chairman.

Deaths Reported.

The following deaths were reported to the health department for the past wenty-four hours: Joseph Bushnell, 82 years, 1140 North Capitol street northwest.

lospital.

Elizabeth Varney, 79 years 511 4th treet northwest. Francis A. Gallagher, 72, Georgetown University Hospital.
Edward Ambler, 10 years, Providence

William McCubbin, 70 years, 238 8th street northeast. Duncan F. Lewis, 38 years, 1763 Church street. Pontous L. Hultgren, 57 1148 Water street southwest. Ellen L. Sheppard, 27 days, 3416 P street northwest. Mary Diggs, 45 years, Casualty Hos-Mary Diggs. 45 years, Cassardy Dital.
Samuel Anderson, 28 years, Government Hospital for the Insane.
Fannie Bennet, 26 years, Government Hospital for the Insane.
Annie C. Madison, 21 years, 722 Harvard street northwest.
Thomas N. Williams, 44 years, 1207 W street northwest.

street northwest. James Clagett, 20 years, 625 Severs James Clagett, 20 years, 625 Severs court northwest.
Charles H. Thompson, 57 years, 446 R street northwest.
Mary Williams, 75 years, 2702 Dumbarton avenue northwest.
Samuel Mack, 62 years, Government Hospital for the Insane.
Isaac Johnson, 42 years, 1214 Half street southwest.
William Dixon, 22 years, Gallinger Hospital. Hospital. James F. Brown, 2 weeks, 905 Florid

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